

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A method for providing media in a communication network, the method comprising:

locating media stored locally at least at a first location in the communication network;

organizing said located media into channels; and

transparently transferring at least a portion of said organized channels to at least a second location within the communication network.

2. The method according to claim 1, further comprising displaying said organized channels in at least one constructed display.

3. The method according to claim 2, wherein said constructed display is at least one of a media guide, device guide and a channel guide.

4. The method according to claim 2, wherein said constructed display is formatted as a graphical user interface.

5. The method according to claim 2, wherein said constructed display is displayed at least at one of said first location and said second location.

6. The method according to claim 5, further comprising presenting representations of locally stored media at said second location and representations of said transparently transferred media in a single constructed display.

7. The method according to claim 6, further comprising integrating representations of broadcast media in said presented single constructed display.

8. The method according to claim 1, further comprising transparently transferring media corresponding to at least a selected portion of said organized channels to said at least said second location.

9. The method according to claim 1, further comprising updating an existing constructed display at said second location to reflect said transparently transferred at least a portion of said organized channels.

10. The method according to claim 1, further comprising authorizing said transparent transfer of said at least a portion of said organized channels to at least said second location.

11. A machine-readable storage having stored thereon, a computer program having at least one code section for providing media in a communication network, the at least one code section being executable by a machine for causing the machine to perform steps comprising:

locating media stored locally at least at a first location in the communication network;

organizing said located media into channels; and

transparently transferring at least a portion of said organized channels to at least a second location within the communication network.

12. The machine-readable storage according to claim 11, further comprising code that causes said organized channels to be displayed in at least one constructed display.

13. The machine-readable storage according to claim 12, wherein said constructed display is at least one of a media guide, device guide and a channel guide.

14. The machine-readable storage according to claim 12, wherein said constructed display is formatted as a graphical user interface.

15. The machine-readable storage according to claim 12, wherein said constructed display is displayed at least at said first location and said second location.

16. The machine-readable storage according to claim 15, further comprising code for presenting representations of locally stored media at said second location and representations of said transparently transferred media in a single constructed display.

17. The machine-readable storage according to claim 16, further comprising code for integrating representations of broadcast media in said presented single constructed display.

18. The machine-readable storage according to claim 11, further comprising code for transparently transferring media corresponding to at least a selected portion of said organized channels to said at least said second location.

19. The machine-readable storage according to claim 11, further comprising code for updating an existing constructed display at said second location to reflect said transparently transferred at least a portion of said organized channels.

20. The machine-readable storage according to claim 11, further comprising code for authorizing said transparent transfer of said at least a portion of said organized channels to at least said second location.

21. A system for providing media in a communication network, the system comprising:

at least one processor that locates media stored locally at least at a first location in the communication network;

said at least one processor organizes said located media into channels; and
said at least one processor transparently transfers at least a portion of said organized channels to at least a second location within the communication network.

22. The system according to claim 21, wherein said at least one processor caused said organized channels to be displayed in at least one constructed display.

23. The system according to claim 22, wherein said constructed display is at least one of a media guide, device guide and a channel guide.

24. The system according to claim 22, wherein said constructed display is formatted as a graphical user interface.

25. The system according to claim 22, wherein said constructed display is displayed at least at said first location and said second location.

26. The system according to claim 25, wherein said at least one processor presents representations of locally stored media at said second location and representations of said transparently transferred media in a single constructed display.

27. The system according to claim 26, further comprising integrating representations of broadcast media in said presented single constructed display.

28. The system according to claim 21, wherein said at least one processor transparently transfers media corresponding to at least a selected portion of said organized channels to said at least said second location.

29. The system according to claim 21, wherein said at least one processor updates an existing constructed display at said second location to reflect said transparently transferred at least a portion of said organized channels.

30. The system according to claim 21, wherein said at least one processor receives authorization for said transparent transfer of said at least a portion of said organized channels to at least said second location.

31. The system according to claim 21, wherein said at least one processor is at least one of a media processing system processor, a media management system processor, a computer processor, a media exchange software processor and a media peripheral processor.